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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF ORANGE
NEW HAMPSHIRE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1995



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TOWN OF ORANGE

NEW HAMPSHIRE

1995

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Anna Munro '94 Mary Landahl '90 Louise Cody '96

RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Fred Morris, Chairman Howard Peas - Vice Chairman

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Chay Durand, Anna Munro, Gil Williamson

This Town Report

is dedicated

to the memory of:

Richard A. Moulton
1929-1996

SELECTMEN

Geraldine Daniels'96*Charles Sova'97*Carol Decato'98

MODERATOR **TOWN CLERK** **DEPUTY CLERK**
Daniel Hazelton Nancy Pike Cindy Dorward

TREASURER **TAX COLLECTOR** **DEEDING AGENT**
Linda Bateman Sharon Proulx Sharon Proulx

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE Dale Eastman

OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE Selectmen

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS Judith Connelly

CEMETERY **HEALTH** **POLICE**
AGENT **OFFICER** **CHIEF**
David Heath Donald Pfaefflin Andrew Ware
Bruce Murray

PLANNING BOARD

Fred Moore,Chairman'98*Fred Young'96*Daniel
Hazelton'96*Joseph Cioffi'97*Ray Miller'97*Lyell Smith'98*
Geraldine Daniels,Selectmens' Representative

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Donald Pfaefflin,Chairman*Wayne Knight'97
Beverly Ells'96*Donna Dias'97*Charles Sova,
SelectmensRepresentative, Judith Connelly, Alternate

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Anita Watson '96 Mary Lindahl '00 Louise Cady '98

RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Fred Moore, Chairman Howard Read Nate Harpootlian

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Elwin Grace Anita Watson Cliff Williamson

FOREST FIRE WARDEN Brent Stevens

DEPUTY WARDENS Daniel Hazelton Raymond Miller

AUDITORS Scott Sanborn Joseph Cioffi

BUILDING INSPECTOR Donald Pfaefflin

DEPUTY BUILDING INSPECTOR William Cady

BUDGET COMMITTEE
John Bayliss '96 Tim Connelly '97 Lyell Smith '98

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF ORANGE
TOWN WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Orange, in the county of Grafton in said state, qualified to vote in Town affairs.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED to meet at the Town House in said Orange on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, 1996, at three o'clock p.m. to act upon the following subjects. The polls will open for the election of Town Officers at 3 p.m. and close at 8 p.m. unless the Meeting votes to extend the time. All other business will be discussed and acted upon at the business meeting, which will start at 7 p.m.

ARTICLE 1: To choose by ballot and plurality vote a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, 1 Selectman for three years, 1 Cemetery Agent, 1 Overseer of Public Welfare for one year, 1 Budget Committee Member for three years, 2 Auditors for one year, 1 Road Agent, 1 Tax Collector, 1 Deeding Agent, 1 Trustee of Trust Funds for one year and any other officers required by law.

ARTICLE 2: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Orange?

(SUBMITTED BY PETITION)

(TO BE VOTED ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT, REQUIRES 3/5 TO PASS)

(SELECTMEN HAVE NO RECOMMENDATION)

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to give a discount of 3% on taxes paid in full within thirty days from the date of the bills with the stipulation that the discount becomes forfeited if it is not deducted by the payer at the time the payment is made.

(RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept payments in prepayment of taxes in accordance with N.H. R.S.:80:52-a.

(RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of resident taxes and authorize the Tax Collector to accept payment in prepayment of taxes.

(RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Highway Block Grant Fund of \$18,956.15 for construction, reconstruction and maintenance of Class 4 or 5 highways and for the purchase of equipment.

(RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$101,100 to resurface Cross Road and Tuttle Hill Road and to authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sum by the issuance of notes under the Municipal Finance Act.

(SELECTMEN HAVE NO RECOMMENDATION)

(BY 2/3 WRITTEN BALLOT VOTE)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,183.00 as called for by the budget, submitted by the Budget Committee, and pass any vote in relation thereto.

(RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to apply to the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission to participate in its retail electric competition program.

(RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

ARTICLE 10: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and other officers heretofore and pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11: To transact any business that may legally come before the meeting not on the warrant.

ARTICLE 10: Polls shall not close earlier than eight o'clock in the evening.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HAND AND SEAL THIS TWENTY SIXTH DAY OF FEBRUARY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY SIX.

Carol E. Decato Geraldine Daniels Charles E. Sova

**ORANGE TOWN BUDGET
PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION**

	Approp- riation 1995	Expendi- ture 1995	Approp- riation 1996
General Government			
Officers Salaries	\$6,000	\$6,192	\$6,200
Elections & Registration	400	311	1,600
Property Reappraisal	1,000	600	1,000
Legal Expenses	1,000	761	1,000
FICA Payments	1,000	1,092	1,100
Planning and Zoning	1,200	45	750
General Gov't Bldings	2,750	2,433	2,600
Cemeteries	1,500	1,076	1,500
Insurance	5,000	4,030	5,000
Membership	1,300	1,155	1,300
Revision of Tax Maps	1,000	0	1,000
Officers Expenses	3,000	2,716	3,000
Public Safety			
Police Department	4,500	5,681	5,000
FAST Squad (Canaan)	1,000	1,000	1,000
Fire Department	6,500	66	5,477
Building Inspection	150	0	150
Emergency Mgmt. E911	500	0	250
Highway & Streets			
Highway	26,000	31,370	26,000
Block Grant	18,801	18,874	18,956
Sanitation			
Garbage Removal	7,702	8,032	8,500
Lebanon Landfill	4,500	3,501	4,500
Recycling	1,500	593	650
Health			
Animal Control	50	0	50
Grafton County Senior			
Citizens &			
Mascoma Home Health	1,250	1,100	1,250

	Approp- riation 1995	Expendi- ture 1995	Approp- riation 1996
Welfare			
Direct Assistance	1,500	0	1,500
Culture and Recreation			
Town Socials	50	50	50
Patriotic Purposes	50	0	50
Capital Outlay			
Town Hall Safety	1,000	0	500
Town Hall Fire	250	0	250
Totals	100,453	102,630	100,183

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimate 1995	Actual 1995	Estimate 1996
Taxes			
Land use change tax	0	663	0
Resident Taxes	1,350	1,540	1,400
Yield taxes	3,000	12,286	8,000
Int. & Pen. on			
Delinquent taxes	2,500	1,623	2,000
Inventory Penalties	100	20	100
Licenses, Permits & Fees			
UCC	50	128	100
Motor vehicle			
permit fees	15,500	21,351	17,500
Building Permits	100	320	200
Other licenses, permits & fees	300	458	375

	Estimate 1995	Actual 1995	Estimate 1996
From Federal Government			
FEMA	0	0	12,342
From State			
Shared Revenue	4,500	4,896	4,500
Highway Block Grant	18,801	18,874	18,956
State & Fed. Forest			
Land Reimb	4,734	3,397	3,500
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Interest on investments	100	2,871	2,500
Tuttle Hill Bridge Transfer	0	12,053	0
Total Revenue & Credits	51,035	80,480	71,473

SUMMARY OF VALUATION
As of December 31, 1995

Land (Current Use Valuation)	\$389,857.00
Land (All other)	5,287,900.00
Buildings-Residential	8,315,800.00
Public Utilities	363,900.00
Manufactured Housing	428,700.00
Commercial/Industrial Buildings	287,700.00
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TREASURER'S REPORT	
FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995	
Beginning Balance	
Cash on Hand 1/1/95	\$150,982.06
Received from Town Clerk	
Motor vehicle permits	21,351.00
Titles	104.00
Municipal agent fee	420.00
Dog Licenses	302.50
Voter List Fee	10.00
Filing/Recording Fees	10.00
UCC	128.00
TOTAL:	\$22,325.50
Received from Mascoma Schools:	
Checklist Reimbursement	45.00
Received from Selectmen:	
Building Permits	250.00
Pistol Permits	80.00
Driveway Permits	70.00
Building code booklet	5.00
Current Use Apps	60.00
Misc. Receipts	69.00
Timber Tax Deposits	3,000.00
Insurance Dividend Reimbursement	1,306.72
TOTAL:	4,885.72
Received from State	
Rooms/Meals Tax	3,327.76
State of NH Highway Block Grant	18,131.37
Forest Land Reimbursement	3,397.42
State of NH Revenue Sharing	4,896.38
State of NH Supplemental Grant	742.94
Forest Fire Training	31.97
Adjustment for Deposit	.10
TOTAL:	30,527.84

Received from Trustee of Trust Funds	
Tuttle Hill Bridge Fund	11,951.71
Received from Banks:	
Interest - checking	161.78
Interest - Money Management	2,709.48
Money Borrowed on Line of Credit	38,000.00
TOTAL:	40,871.26
Received from Tax Collector	
Tax Liens Redeemed 1992	9,816.44
Interest & Costs 1992	3,219.05
Tax Liens Redeemed 1993	10,651.47
Yield Tax 1993	179.22
Interest & Costs Yield Tax	51.78
Interest & Costs 1993	1,571.35
Property Taxes 1994	37,349.25
Property Tax Interest 1994	1,623.24
Resident Tax 1994	130.00
Resident Tax penalty 1994	20.00
Overpayments	3.00
Tax Lien Redeemed 1994	182.06
Interest & Costs 1994	349.50
Property Taxes 1995	212,804.32
Resident Tax 1995	1,410.00
Yield Taxes 1995	12,286.26
Land Use Change 1995	662.90
Pre-Pay Resident Tax 1996	10.00
TOTAL:	\$292,319.84
TOTAL RECEIPTS 1995	\$402,881.97
Payments:	
Paid on Orders of Selectmen	354,307.89
Bank Line of Credit	38,000.00
Bank Interest on Line of Credit	185.57
TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$392,493.46

Cash on hand December 31, 1995

Checking	7,968.84
Money Management	147,503.17
1995 Tax Receipts received in 1996	5,898.56
TOTAL	161,370.57

1995 Tax Anticipation Loan	120,000.00
Amount Borrowed	38,000.00
Interest Paid	185.87
Interest Earned	2,871.26
Net Interest Cost	2,685.69

**REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
for the year ending December 31, 1995**

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$21,351.00
Titles	104.00
Municipal Agent Fees (Issuance of Decals and plates)	419.50
Dog Licenses	302.50
Neutered Males: 14	
Spayed Females: 14	
Males: 7	
Females: 4	
Group: 2	
Voter List Fee	10.00
U.C.C.	128.00
Town Filing Fees(elections)	10.00
TOTAL PAID TO TREASURER FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995	\$22,325.00

VITAL STATISTICS
For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1995

BIRTHS:

April 27, 1995 - New London - Christopher Charles
Sanborn to Scott & Laurie Sanborn

June 13, 1995 - Lebanon - Richard Scott Longley to
Robin & Tammy Longley

MARRIAGES:

April 29, 1995 - Evelyn Emma Scotland, Orange, NH to
William Davison Finn, Lebanon, NH in Hanover, NH

DEATHS: None

We hereby certify that the above information is correct
according to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Nancy Pike and Cindy Dorward
Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

LEVIES OF	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1992</u>
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Uncollected Taxes:

Beginning of Year

Property Taxes	37339.25	0.00	0.00
Resident Taxes	260.00	40.00	10.00
Land Use Change	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00
Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00

LEVIES OF	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>
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Taxes Committed This Year:

Property Taxes	256354.36		
Resident Taxes	1,530.00		
Land Use Change	662.90		
Yield Taxes	13937.97		
Utilities	0.00		
Added Resident Taxes	200.00		
Added Property Taxes		10.00	

Overpayment

Property Taxes	0.00		
Resident Taxes	0.00	3.00	
Land Use Change	0.00		
Yield Taxes	0.00		
Costs		394.50	

Interest Collected
On Delinquent Taxes

1623.24

Collected Resident

Tax Penalties	0.00	20.00	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$272,685.23	\$39,604.99	\$40.00
			1992 \$10.00

LEVIES OF	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>
Remitted to Treasurer			
During Fiscal Year			
Property Taxes	212804.32	37349.25	0.00
Resident Taxes	1410.00	130.00	0.00
Land Use Change	662.90	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	12286.26	0.00	0.00
Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest	0.00	1623.24	0.00
Penalties	0.00	20.00	0.00
Costs		349.50	
Overpayment		3.00	
Discounts allowed:	6163.59		
Abatements Made			
Property Taxes	351.62	0.00	0.00
Resident Taxes	130.00	120.00	40.00
			10.00
Land Use Change	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	1067.95	0.00	0.00
Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00
Underpayment	0.59	0.00	0.00
Uncollected Revenue			
End of Year			
Property Taxes	37,034.24	0.00	0.00
Resident Taxes	190.00	10.00	0.00
Land Use Change	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	583.76	0.00	0.00
Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$272,685.23	\$39,604.99	\$40.00
			\$10.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995

LEVIES OF	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1992</u>
Unredeemed Liens			
Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year	0.00	\$15825.38 prop \$179.22 yield	\$10975.67
Liens Sold or Executed During Fiscal Year & Deeds	\$7800.24	0.00	0.00
Interest Collected After Sale/Lien Execution			
Interest & Costs	0.00	1571.35 51.78	3219.05
TOTAL DEBIT	\$7,800.24	\$17,267.73	\$14,194.72
Remittance to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	\$182.06	\$10651.47 prop 179.22 yield	\$9816.44
Interest/Costs After Sale or Lien Execution		1571.35 51.78	3219.05
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes			1159.23
Unredeemed Liens			
Bal. End of Year	7618.18	5173.91	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$7,800.24	\$17,627.73	\$14,194.72
Sharon Lee Proulx, Tax Collector			

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
As of December 31, 1994

Town Hall & Land	77,400.00
Other Town Properties	
Land	73,700.00
Land CU	37,437.00
Furniture & Equipment	10,000.00
Library - Books and Equipment	2,000.00
Police Department	2,000.00
Highway Department	40,000.00
Cemetery Department	1,500.00
 TOTAL	 244,037.00

Number of Inventories Distributed 1994	199
Appropriations Expended:	
Town	97,160.34
School	214,117.28
County	22,218.00
Other:	
Taxes bought by Town	16,639.80
 GRAND TOTAL	 350,135.42

Tax Rate Per	1,000.00
Municipal	4.33
County	1.48
School	<u>11.46</u>
 TOTAL	 17.27

CANAAN/ORANGE RECYCLING 1995

This year has been one of continuing change for the recycling program. More items are accepted in the list of recyclables. Glass is no longer sorted but mixed and crushed on site and there is a good market for all paper and cardboard. This all contributes to cutting costs. We also accept textiles which are collected regularly. In the near future we will have a printed guide to simplify the process.

Canaan has switched from Lebanon landfill to North - East Recyclables and all metals go to Janci Metals. In Orange we plan to have a large container over a weekend to collect scrap metal. An announcement will be forthcoming.

In June '95 we participated in the second Annual Fun Fair at the Canaan Elementary School with a booth. Also assisted Mr. Tom Debalsi's 8th grade class in the Indian River School with a project to develop solid waste management solutions. This was in conjunction with a grant from the Montshire Museum of Science.

The Canaan/Orange Recycling Program is still entirely dependent on volunteers. Beside the regular volunteers, you will on occasion meet different student volunteers through different school and community programs. We need and appreciate all their help.

Some future plans include the possibility of a "Swap Shop".

In October '95 Virginia Hart and Anita Watson attended the NH Governor's Recycling Program in Bedford, NH. This was a good opportunity to share ideas and get new information.

We again had a successful tire collection coordinated by Don Blunt and Skip Pendleton.

So, again, we invite you to jump on the "Recycle Wagon", the clean, green wagon all your friends and neighbors are on.

Anita Watson, Recycle Coordinator

ORANGE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE 1995

We would like to share a brief history and status of the fund. It was started in 1993 in honor of Mary Rickson, a former resident of Orange, who now lives in Blaisdell, NY. She was devoted to Orange and especially the happiness of the children. Because of Mary we have our annual Christmas party which she participates in spirit. She again sent gifts she hand made for everyone. She almost got here herself. She got as far as Schenectady NY and was forced to turn back because of the storm.

We felt a scholarship fund was a fitting way to keep helping our young people. It is available to all graduating seniors who plan on continuing their education. A letter is sent out to advise them of the requirements. This year we awarded our first scholarship to Kimo Johnson.

To add to the fund we have held bake sales, flea markets and received donations. At present the fund has a balance of \$1623.58. Thanks to all the people who have donated time, energy and money.

Sincerely,
Orange Scholarship Committee
Barbara Smith
Marilyn Johnson
Anita Watson
Julie Morancy

POLICE REPORT

E-911 is progressing. Mapping and global positioning of Orange should be completed this year. The 911 operators will have a data base of published phone numbers associated with the billed person for that number, and a physical location. Locally we have a more comprehensive data base that links the phone number and address with other probable callers and emergency information that allows us to serve you better. Unless there is some reason to believe that you will not be able to complete the call, Orange residents can receive the best police and ambulance response by calling direct to our dispatch center at **523-4343**.

Crime statistics can fluctuate wildly when you deal with small numbers, however there are some that bear watching, not only for possible trends, or even because they take so much time, but because they afford the greatest danger and most devastating effects to those involved. Domestic violence, with a 50% increase, and juvenile problems, with a 350% increase, are not only increasing numerically but also in severity. Anything we can do as a community to alleviate these problems will reduce suffering and perhaps save a life.

While even one rape is too many, a rape where the victim is not treated right or the perpetrator is wrongly acquitted is doubly damaging. Prevention is best. There are some advancements on the treatment and prosecution side that will help the victim, and put the perpetrators behind bars. Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners are being trained. I am working with the Grafton County Attorney's Office and other agencies to form a multidisciplinary team to handle these cases in a coordinated fashion with the best people.

The rabies epidemic has not hit Orange yet. It has been found in some communities close to us. Everyone should be careful around animals and make sure that your pets are inoculated. Please report any suspicious animal to me so that I can lessen the danger to the community.

Respectfully submitted:

Andrew H. Ware
Chief of Police

POLICE STATISTICS

Motor vehicle	107	Littering	10
Juvenile	31	Burglary	2
Domestic Violence	9	Assault	2
House Checks	18	Rape	3
Fire	4	Mutual Aid	15
Animals	16	Criminal Threatening	2
Harassment	3	Suspicious Activity	8
Child Abuse	1	Larceny	8
Alarms	6	Fraud	6
Lost people	5	Vandalism	6
Trespass	1	Federal Laws	3
TOTAL	266		

**MASCOMA HOME HEALTH SERVICES
VISITING NURSE ALLIANCE OF VERMONT AND
NEW HAMPSHIRE
1995 REPORT TO THE TOWN OF ORANGE**

We are grateful for the continued support of the town in helping us meet the home care and hospice needs of uninsured persons in Orange. All services are provided in collaboration with hospital discharge planners and/or with the attending physician and are available to persons of all ages and all economic means. Our VNA staff working out of the Mascoma Branch office provide skilled services for people who may have had recent surgery, may be recovering from an acute illness or disability or may have long term care needs or who may need supportive care and symptom control services during a terminal illness.

While the majority of services are covered by Medicare, Medicaid and commercial insurance, the town funds are critical in helping support home care and hospice for people without insurance, inadequate insurance or the ability to pay for services. This past year, the VNA incurred a financial loss due to exceeding the subsidy available for the growing numbers of uninsured persons. Each year we hope this trend will reverse and that health insurance will be more available to everyone. However, we are now terribly concerned about the pending changes in Medicare and Medicaid and the impact on home care and hospice services. At a time when there are pressures to reduce hospital stays and freeze nursing home beds, it would seem logical that resources would be shifted to home care and hospice programs. We hope that this will be the case.

The following services were provided to the Town of Orange:

Home Care and Hospice Visits
7/1/94-6/30/95

Nursing	118
Physical Therapy	21
Social Services	1
Home Health Aid	<u>68</u>
	208

WIC: 51 Clinic Visits

On behalf of the patients and families we serve, thank you for your continuing support.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth J. Davis, RN, MPH
Chief Executive Officer

REPORT OF COMMON TRUST FUNDS FOR 1995 ORANGE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Date Created	FUND	Balance 1/1/9	12/31/95
8 23 15	Hannah M. French	200.00	200.00
5 2 17	Jennie M. French	200.00	200.00
3 28 33	Arthur A. Briggs	100.00	100.00
3 27 34	Clara A. Huse	100.00	100.00
8 9 34	Asa Hoyt	100.00	100.00
3 13 56	Mr. & Mrs. Harry Eastman	250.00	250.00
3 13 56	Abbie Fellows	250.00	250.00
3 13 56	Mr. & Mrs. A. Ford	250.00	250.00
3 13 56	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Ford	250.00	250.00
3 13 56	Lyman Batchelder	100.00	100.00
TOTALS		1,800.00	1,800.00

INCOME Interest 5.00%

8 23 15	Hannah M. French	394.10	424.23
5 2 17	Jennie M. French	629.80	671.89
3 28 33	Arthur A. Briggs	174.20	188.11
3 27 34	Clara A. Huse	145.53	157.79
8 9 34	Asa Hoyt	154.96	167.89
3 13 56	Mr. & Mrs. Harry Eastman	463.75	499.95
3 13 56	Abbie Fellows	585.69	628.08
3 13 56	Mr. & Mrs. A. Ford	607.53	651.02
3 13 56	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Ford	652.87	698.66
3 13 56	Lyman Batchelder	153.49	166.35
TOTALS		3961.92	4254.17

FUND BALANCE

8 23 15	Hannah M. French	624.23
5 2 17	Jennie M. French	871.89
3 28 33	Arthur A. Briggs	288.11
3 27 34	Clara A. Huse	257.99
8 9 34	Asa Hoyt	267.89
3 13 56	Mr. & Mrs. Harry Eastman	749.95
3 13 56	Abbie Fellows	878.08
3 13 56	Mr. & Mrs. A. Ford	901.02
3 13 56	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Ford	948.66
3 13 56	Lyman Batchelder	266.35
TOTALS		6054.17

**REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS FOR 1995
TUTTLE HILL ROAD BRIDGE FUND****Mascoma Savings Bank CDs**

		Date Created	Account
Balance 1/1/95	12/31/95		
3/29/89	386008838	18,194.14	6,525.44
4/10/89	386008987	4,308.08	4,516.35
3/22/90	386009136	3,884.74	4,083.67
TOTALS		26,386.96	15,125.46

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICER SALARIES

Carol Decato	\$1,000.00
Charles Sova	\$1,000.00
Cindy Dorward	\$1,048.00
Daniel Hazelton	\$60.00
Geraldine Daniels	\$1,000.00
John Bayliss	\$50.00
Joseph Cioffi	\$50.00
Judith Connelly	\$100.00
Linda Bateman	\$625.00
Nancy Pike	\$100.00
Richard Moulton	\$50.00
Sharon Proulx	\$1,009.00
Tim Connelly	\$50.00
Walter Kelly	<u>\$50.00</u>
TOTAL	\$6,192.00

TOWN OFFICER EXPENSES

Anita Watson	\$45.75
Butterworth	\$43.00
Canaan Postmaster	\$17.50
Carol Decato	\$69.40
Carol Elliott	\$175.84
Charles Sova	\$329.50
Cindy Dorward	\$24.50
Colony Process Inc.	\$17.46
CPI Printing Service	\$16.48
DATOWN	\$517.32
Donald Pfaefflin	\$36.00
Dora Rapalyea(TC Assn)	\$18.50
Homestead Press	\$123.16
Jean Baarson	\$24.00
Linda Bateman	\$32.00
Maclean Hunter	\$49.50
Mary Lindahl	\$18.00
McAuliffe	\$120.18
McBee Systems	\$212.00
Messenger	\$245.00

National Marketing Rpts	\$49.50
NH Dept. of Agri.	\$132.50
NH Health Off Assn	\$10.00
NH Tax Coll Assn	\$15.00
NH Town Clerks	\$20.00
Postmaster	\$24.00
Reliable Ofc Prod	\$18.61
Sharon Proulx	\$72.02
Staples	\$31.88
Stark & Son Machining	\$30.25
US Postal Service	<u>\$177.40</u>
TOTAL	\$2,716.25

PLANNING AND ZONING

NHMA	<u>\$45.00</u>
TOTAL	\$45.00

PROPERTY REAPPRAISAL

Arthur A. Morrill	<u>\$600.00</u>
TOTAL	\$600.00

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

Anita Watson	\$6.13
AT&T	\$15.17
Bannerman	\$34.00
Canaan Hdwe.	\$159.75
NH Elec Coop	\$522.40
NYNEX	\$385.00
Synergy Gas	<u>\$1,310.47</u>
TOTAL	\$2,432.92

MEMBERSHIP

UVLSRPC	\$220.00
Senior Citizens Cncl.	\$435.00
NHMA	<u>\$500.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,155.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Andrew Ware	<u>\$5,680.69</u>
TOTAL	\$5,680.69

HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES

Blaktop	\$526.04
Canaan Hardware	\$136.72
Cargill Salt	\$727.98
Carl's Auto Repair	\$572.67
Elden Owens	\$475.00
Evans Motor Fuels	\$602.66
Garrett Decato	\$2,299.00
Gleason Decato	\$2,100.00
Michael Joyce	\$95.00
Randy Whitcher	\$420.00
Remacle Const.	\$41,223.66
Sabil & Sons	\$10.65
Shaker Valley	\$779.06
Tom Ireton	\$15.00
Twin State S&G	\$165.10
Walter Hammond	<u>\$95.00</u>
TOTAL	\$50,243.54

CEMETERY

Bannerman Sign	\$38.40
David Heath	\$674.09
Cutting Edge Equip.	<u>\$363.95</u>
TOTAL	\$1,076.44

ELECTION & REGISTRATION EXPENSE

Mary Ann Miller	\$20.00
Daniel Hazelton	\$20.00
Carol Decato	\$20.00
Geraldine Daniels	\$20.00
Charles Sova	\$20.00
Anita Watson	\$35.00
Mary Lindahl	\$35.00
Jean Baarson	\$35.00
Cindy Dorward	\$50.00
Messenger	<u>\$56.00</u>
TOTAL	\$311.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Visiting Nurse	\$1,100.00
Canaan FAST Squad	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$2,100.00

INSURANCE & SOCIAL SECURITY

Alexander&Alexander	\$1,000.00
IRS	\$1,091.84
NHMA Ins. Trust	<u>\$3,030.00</u>
TOTAL	\$5,121.84

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Brent Stevens	<u>\$65.96</u>
TOTAL	\$65.96

LEGAL

Gardner&Fulton	<u>\$761.03</u>
TOTAL	\$761.03

SANITATION

Mansur & Sons	\$11,202.69
Grafton	\$330.00
UVRWMP	<u>\$592.50</u>
TOTAL	\$12,125.19

RECREATION AND CULTURE

Gary Hamel	<u>\$50.00</u>
TOTAL	\$50.00

PAYMENT TO OTHER GOVERNMENT DIVISIONS

MVRSD	\$213,472.50
Grafton County	<u>\$22,444.00</u>
	\$235,916.50

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Notes to the Selectmen of Orange, New Hampshire

A voucher should be issued for interest only on the Tax Anticipation note.

Corrections made or needed:

1. Current Use tax for Steve Melanson \$10.00, missing.
2. \$50.00 Fee placed in driveway permit should have been for town hall rental.

Town Clerk:

1. All vouchers should be turned in to the Treasurer in a timely manner.

Example: March 20th voucher by end of March.

Example: June 10th voucher by end of June.

Any changes or corrections made on the Selectmen's spread sheets have been verified by copies of vouchers which have been attached. Once again I'd like to thank all of the town officers for their time and effort in helping to prepare for this town audit, especially Ms. Gerry Daniels, who always seems to make herself available for the townspeople.

Sincerely,
Joseph N. Cioffi Jr.
Town Auditor, Town of Orange

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL Annual Report 1995

The Board of Directors and staff of Grafton county Senior Citizens Council, Inc. work throughout the year to enhance the health and independence of our older citizens and to assist them to remain in their own homes and communities for as long as possible. Through eight locations throughout the County, including Plymouth, Bristol, Canaan, Lebanon, Orford, Haverhill, Littleton and Lincoln, older adults and their families are able to obtain services such as home delivered meals, senior dining room programs, transportation, social work services, information and referral, health and educational programs, adult day care, recreation and opportunities to be of service to the community through volunteering.

During 1995, 12 Orange residents were served through all of GCSCC's programs. These older adults enjoyed balanced meals in the company of friends in a senior dining room, benefitted from hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers, were transported to the health care providers or other community resources by our lift-equipped buses, and found opportunities to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through volunteer service.

Services for older residents of Orange were often important to their efforts to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care despite chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars and contributing to the quality of life of our older friends and neighbors.

GCSCC very much appreciates the support of Orange for services which enhance the independence and dignity of our older citizens and assists them to meet the challenges of aging in place.

Carol W. Dustin, Executive Director
GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL

Statistics for the Town of Orange

October 1, 1994 to September 30, 1995

During this fiscal year, GCSCC served 12 Orange residents (out of 54 residents over 60, 1990 Census).

Services Service Service x Cost = \$ of Services

Congregate/Home

Delivered Meals 340 x \$ 4.33 \$1472.20

Transportation Trips 14 x \$ 5.46 \$ 76.44

Adult Day Service Hours 36 x \$ 2.71 \$ 97.56

Social Services Half-Hours 4 x \$11.90 \$ 47.60

Number of Orange Volunteers: 3 Number of Volunteer Hours: 97

GCSCC cost to provide services for Orange residents only
\$1693.80

Requests for Senior Services for 1995 \$435.00

Received from the Town of Orange for 1995 \$435.00

Request for Senior Services for 1996 \$435.00

NOTES:

1. Unit cost from Audit Report for October 1, 1994 to September 30, 1995

2.

Services were funded by: Federal and State Programs 51%, Municipalities, Grants & Contracts, County and United Way 14%, Contributions 12%, In-Kind donations 20%, Other 1%, Friends of GCSCC 2%.

COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

From Audited Financial Statement for GCSCC

Fiscal Years 1994/1995

October 1 - September 30

UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED

	FY 1994	FY 1995
Dining Room Meals	58,721	61,823
Home Delivered Meals	101,738	100,938
Transportation(Trips)	42,891	39,655
Adult Day Service (Hours)	11,498	12,155
Social Services(1/2 Hours)	11,996	10,730

UNITS OF SERVICE COSTS

	FY 1994	FY 1995
Congregate/Home		
Delivered Meals	\$4.39	\$4.33
Transportation(Trips)	4.98	5.46
Adult Day Service	5.73	2.71
Social Services	10.64	11.90

For all units based on Audit Report, October 1, 1994 to September 30, 1995

REPORT TO THE CITIZENS OF COUNCIL DISTRICT ONE

As Executive Councilor for District One, it is a privilege for me to communicate with the citizens of this town and area which are a part of District One of 98 towns and four cities.

The five member Executive Council is at the top of your Executive Branch of Government. The NH House and Senate make laws and pass into law a budget. It is the constitutional and lawful duty of the Governor and Council to carry out those laws and budget. The entire Judicial Branch of judges are all nominated by the Governor and confirmed by the Council. The Governor and Council also nominate and confirm 267 Commissioners and Directors to terms of office in the various state executive branch departments.

The Governor and executive Council are also required by law to nominate and confirm dozens of citizens to various volunteer boards and commissions. If anyone is interested in serving, they should forward their resume directly to Governor Merrill or my office at the State House. A list of these boards and commissions may be obtained by calling my State House Office at 271-3632.

The year ahead will prove challenging in the area of town, county and state administration of the recently passed House Bill 32 which reallocates, reorganizes most of the Health and Human Services Department of NH State Government. It is extremely important that local and county officials stay in close touch with their State Senators and Representatives. I have asked Health and Human Services Commissioner Terry Morton to appoint at least 15-20 people from each county to act as advisers to this office as commission. If any of you are interested in serving, please call his office direct 1-800-852-3345 ext. 4331 or send him a note at his office on Hazen Drive, Concord NH 03301 expressing your concern.

As of this writing there is still about \$270,000 waiting to be matched by local dollars in the Economic Development Matching Grant Program and \$275,000 waiting to be matched in the Joint Tourist Promotional Program. Both of these programs can be accessed by calling 271-2411.

Some 9 million dollars is waiting at the Office of State Planning (tel. no. 271-2155) in the Community Development Block Grant Program. A town, county, regional economic development council or other regional group is eligible to apply.

The Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation has submitted our recommendation to the Governor on various projects submitted to us by towns and

regional planning commissions. It is now up to the Governor to submit his recommendations to the House and Senate by February 15, 1996 and then it's up to those two bodies of state government as to the final disposition of the plan. I don't look for much in the way of new highways, bridges and transportation projects due mainly to lack of money. Hopefully, we'll be able to keep in good repair the transportation system we've got.

It is amazing the advice and technical assistance available in State Government to citizens, businesses and local municipalities. The Office of Industrial Development has a very attractive brochure listing technical, financial and community resources available for the asking by calling 271-2411.

Should my office be of help in matters relating to the Executive Branch, please know that I welcome the opportunity to respond. It is a pleasure to serve you.

Raymond S. Burton
State House - Room 207
Concord NH 03301
Office - 603-271-3632
Home - 603-747-3662

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

1995 Report to Towns

The Grafton County Board of Commissioners is pleased to present the following reports and financial statements. We hope they will increase your understanding of Grafton County's finances and operations and assure citizens that their County tax dollars have been expended wisely.

During FY 1995, funds received exceeded the budget by \$163,615.52 for a total of \$14,981,914.52 in actual County revenues. This was primarily due to the receipt of the Medicaid Proportionate Share Payment, given by the Federal Government to partially offset the cost of serving a disproportionate share of Medicaid recipients at the County Nursing Home.

Actual expenditures totaled \$14,598,041.22 which was \$220,257.78 less than had been budgeted. This includes \$378,525 paid to the State of New Hampshire to enable the County to receive \$757,050 in Medicaid Proportionate Share Payment, for a net receipt of \$378,525 which was used by the County to start a Nursing Home Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$200,000 and the balance going to surplus to help reduce the amount to be raised by County taxes. Expenditures for Medical Referee, Dispatch Center, Grafton County Conservation District, and Outside Counsel were all a little overexpended based on what was budgeted, but all other County departments were well under their budgeted amounts.

The bottom line for FY 1995 showed that revenues exceeded expenditures by \$383,873.30 leaving the County in a sound financial position at the end of its fiscal year. The Commissioners feel extremely proud of this financial picture, which exemplifies good management by all County department heads, both elected and appointed.

Grafton County experienced some major changes during FY 1995, some of which were the retirement of Douglas "Bum" Bigelow who served the County with forty-four years of dedicated, loyal service. The Commissioners would also like to take the opportunity to thank former Commissioner Betty Jo Taffe for her years of dedicated service to the citizens and employees of Grafton County. The Commissioners would also like to extend their thanks to Joanne Mann for doing an excellent job as Acting Administrator of the Nursing Home through November of 1994. At that time, Mr. John Will came on board as the Nursing Home Administrator, and we would like to welcome Mr. Will and inform you that he has done a superb job thus far. Last but not least, we would like to welcome our newest Commissioner, Mr. Steve Panagoulis, Vice Chairman, Grafton County Board of Commissioners, District 3. Commissioner Panagoulis brings a great deal of knowledge and sound judgment to the Board, and has shown those qualities since January, 1995. We feel Commissioner Panagoulis is a great asset to the citizens and employees of Grafton County.

FY 1995 was another busy year for the Department of Corrections. Admissions were up, although inmate days decreased slightly. The Electronic Monitoring Program continues to grow, and appears to be an excellent form of alternative sentencing, and now has expanded to include the Drug Freedom Program which is funded through a grant from the Attorney General's Office. Superintendent Bird continues utilizing many volunteers for a number of in-house programs.

The Grafton County Nursing Home has seen changes during the past year in the following areas: computer hardware upgrade, and adding a new part-time dietary aide to help serve meals. In May, Cheryl Ridley, RN, became our

new Director of Nursing, our census continues to grow, and our Staff Development Coordinator has implemented a "Quality Assurance" program in-house.

The Commissioners are extremely proud of the Whole Village Family Resource Center project, which continues on track, and hopefully will be completed by the end of the next fiscal year. We are certain it will benefit many citizens and their families in Southeastern Grafton County.

All other County departments were extremely busy during FY 1995. The County Treasurer did an excellent job investing County funds, and exceeded the budgeted interest revenue figure by \$55,177.78. The new County Attorney has done an excellent job in his office, and the number of backlog cases has been reduced drastically. Our Sheriff's Department and Dispatch Center continue to increase with activity, and remain as effective and efficient as always. Carol Elliott, Register of Deeds, and her staff also continue to be overwhelmed with work, and continue to do an excellent job and to generate a great deal of revenue for the County and the State of New Hampshire.

For FY 1995, the Commissioners concluded with preparation of the FY 1996 County Budget, which was adopted by the County Legislative Delegation in late June. The Grafton County Board of Commissioners holds regular weekly meetings at the County Administration Building on Route 10 just north of the County Courthouse in North Haverhill, with periodic tours of the Nursing Home, Department of Corrections, County Farm, and Courthouse. The Commissioners also attend monthly meetings of the Grafton County Executive Committee. All meetings are public, with interested citizens and members of the press encouraged to attend. Call the Commissioners' Office at 787-6941 to conform date, time and schedule.

In closing, we wish to express our appreciation to all staff members, elected officials, other agency personnel, and the public for their efforts in serving the citizens of Grafton County.

Respectfully submitted,

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Barbara B. Hill, Chairman (District #1)

Steve Panagoulis, Vice Chairman(District#3)

Raymond S. Burton, Clerk (District #2)

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

In calendar year 1995, our three (3) leading causes of fire were Children, Non-Permit fires not properly extinguished and Smoking Materials.

Violations of RSA 224:27 II, the fire permit law, and other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail.. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Fire Officials, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required. This also helps to prevent unnecessary response to a controlled burn.

1995 Fire Statistics

Forest Ranger Reported Fires

Number of Fires for Cost Share Payment 465

Acres Burned 437

Suppression cost \$147,000+

Lookout Tower Reported Fires 555

Visitors to Towers 26,165

Fires Reported by County

Belknap	11
Carroll	50
Cheshire	39
Coos	17
Grafton	26
Hillsborough	71
Merrimack	49
Rockingham	106
Strafford	78
Sullivan	18

Local communities and the State share the cost of suppression on a 50/50 basis. The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid the quick response from the local fire departments.

"REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!"

John Q. Ricard
Forest Ranger

Brent Steven
Forest Fire Warden

ORANGE TOWN MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 1995

Polls opened at 3:01 pm by Moderator, Daniel Hazelton. Business meeting started at 7:00 pm.

Moderator, Daniel Hazelton opened meeting by introducing the Town Officers. He then went over the rules of the meeting. A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the Town Warrant.

ARTICLE 1: TO choose by ballot and plurality vote a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, 1 Selectman for three years, 1 Cemetery Agent, 1 Overseer of Public Welfare for one year, 1 Budget Committee Member for three years, 2 Auditors for one year, 1 Road Agent, 1 Tax Collector, 1 Deeding Agent, 1 Trustee of Trust Funds for one year and any other officers required by law.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to give a discount of 3% on taxes paid in full within thirty days from the date of the bills with the stipulation that the discount becomes forfeited if it is not deducted by the payer at the time the payment was made. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN) Article moved by Donald Pfaefflin and seconded by Fred Moore. No discussion. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept payments in prepayment of taxes in accordance with N.H. R.S.:80:52-a. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN) Article moved by Donald Pfaefflin and seconded by Scott Sanborn. No discussion. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of resident taxes and authorize the Tax Collector to accept payment in prepayment of taxes. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN) Article moved by Fred Moore and seconded by Linda Bateman. No discussion. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Highway Block Grant Fund of \$18,801.37 for construction, reconstruction and maintenance of Class 4 or 5 highways and for the purchase of equipment. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN) Article moved by Richard Jaeger and seconded by Nate Harpoolian. Discussion: Richard Jaeger asked what some of the projects were. Geri Daniels stated that the projects would be maintenance and culverts. She added there would be no great projects. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to have the existing pavements on the Cross Road and Tuttle Hill Road resurfaced, and if voted to raise and appropriate \$38,000 funded by notes for five years to finance this specific project. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN) (BY 2/3 BALLOT VOTE) Article moved by Richard Jaeger and seconded by Donald Pfaefflin. Discussion: Fred Moore stated that this was moved and passed last year. Frank Giner asked if \$38,000 would be enough to do the project. Carol Decato stated no, it would be for the first two stages of the project. Geri Daniels stated that the Tuttle Hill Fund money will be used if there is any available, David Stratton stated he was against this Article. He added that the majority of the roads are dirt roads and some of them are in far poorer condition than Cross Road and Tuttle Hill Road. He further stated that the town's people are terrified of speeders and if these roads are resurfaced, no one will live to an old age. Fred Moore stated that the maintenance of roads is very important and these roads desperately need repair (they have not been resurfaced for as long as he's lived here). Moderator Hazelton stated that the Pink Ballot will be used.

30 Ballots were cast. 21-yes, 9-no. The Article was passed by a 2/3 vote.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to dispense with and dispose of the Orange Library:

Whereas (1) the present status of the Town Hall, the building housing the library, in non-compliance with State public building and library safety and access codes, precludes the Orange Library as a functioning public library;

Whereas (2) the stagnant condition of the books, their non-circulation and absence of library housekeeping care, subject to temperature and climatic extremes of heat and cold, dry and damp, encourages book deterioration such as mold, rot, and destruction by insects and vermin;

Whereas (3) in accordance with the professional evaluation of the collection, privately undertaken by Gary Hamel in 1992, it was determined that the Orange Library contains no books of significant value;

Whereas (4) no new books have been added to the Orange Library within the past 3 years, the collection has become outdated and with each passing year grows more obsolete;

Whereas (5) the accumulation of some 40-45 cartons of duplicate and discard books piled in the SE corner of the Library (top floor of the Town Hall building) constitute a potential strain to the edifice of some 400-450 lbs minimum concentrated dead weight;

Whereas (6) both the accumulation of said cartons and the stagnant shelved books (cf Whereas #2) constitute a potential of spontaneous fire hazard;

It is hereby recommended that (1) the Town vote to dispense with and dispose of the Orange Library; (2) that a library clearance book sale be conducted in two stages, the first for Orange residents only, that they may have priority in reclaiming "old favorites", the second for the general public; proceeds from the sale to be contributed to the Orange Scholarship Fund; (3) that the residue be sold to auction houses/traders in excess and unwanted articles, and the proceeds from such sale to be contributed to the

Orange Scholarship Fund. (SUBMITTED BY PETITION)
(SELECTMEN HAVE NO RECOMMENDATION) Article moved by Fred Moore and seconded by Nate Harpootlian. Gary Hamel stated that Bob Erickson did the evaluation and evaluated only some of the books, not all of them. Comments, questions, and concerns were made by Sharon Proulx, Donald Pfaefflin, Jean Baarson, Fred Moore, Kathy Stacy, Anita Watson, Mary Lindahl, Frank Giner, Geri Daniels, Joanne Moulton, Nate Harpootlian, Richard Jaeger.

AMENDMENT To Article 7: (made by Sharon Proulx and seconded by Don Pfaefflin)

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That the Town vote to dispose of the discard books and that books be sold at private sale first for the Town and then the general public and the money to be reverted to the Historical Commission.

The Amendment to Article 7 was voted for favorably by voice vote. Article 7 was voted for favorably by voice vote.

ARTICLE 8: To see what sum of money above that contained in the budget the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for police protection. (SELECTMEN HAVE NO RECOMMENDATION) Article moved by Fred Moore and seconded by Richard Jaeger. Discussion: Charles Sova stated that two residents came to the Selectmen and asked that an article be put in the warrant for this because they felt that crime was increasing in the Town. They want to increase the Police budget. Andy Ware stated with the increased budget the town's people would see the police cruiser going by more often. He noted that the crime does seem to go up a bit more each year. He stated that if his budget was increased he would use the money for equipment (i.e., improve the computer "glitches", update the fingerprint equipment, better system for receiving messages, etc.) Motion was made to move the question and seconded. Passed by voice vote. Moderator explained the Article and how a yes or no would affect the Article. Article 8 did not pass by voice vote.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$105,221.00 as called for by the budget, submitted by the Budget Committee, and pass any vote in relation thereto. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN) Article moved by Charles Sova and seconded by Geri Daniels.

AMENDMENT to Article 9: Motion by Charles Sova and seconded by Geri Daniels to Amend Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,453.00 as called for by the budget, submitted by the Budget Committee, and pass any vote in relation thereto. Charles Sova explained that the budget did not change, when he typed the Warrant, he carried over the figures from the previous year. The Amendment to Article 9 passed by voice vote. Article 9 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 10: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and other officers heretofore and pass any vote relative thereto. No reports were given.

ARTICLE 11: To transact any business that may legally come before the meeting not on the warrant.

Gary Hamel presented paintings to the Town done by Guy Bagley, Ruth Bagley and himself which are being donated to the Town. These paintings represent the heritage of the Town and he stated that he would like to see work of other artists of the Town added to the collection.

8:00pm Moderator Hazelton closed the polls.

Motion made by Fred Moore that the Town of Orange accept with deep appreciation the paintings by Guy Bagley, Ruth Bagley and Gary Hamel and our thanks for Gary presenting them to the Town. Motion was seconded. Donald Pfaefflin, Health Officer, stated that he has information regarding radon and if anyone had questions regarding radon (or anything else) can call him.

Sharon Proulx apologized for not holding any meetings for the Historical Commission due to her not feeling well. She then requested that the same people who were on the commission last year be allowed to serve again this year. (Said request was granted.)

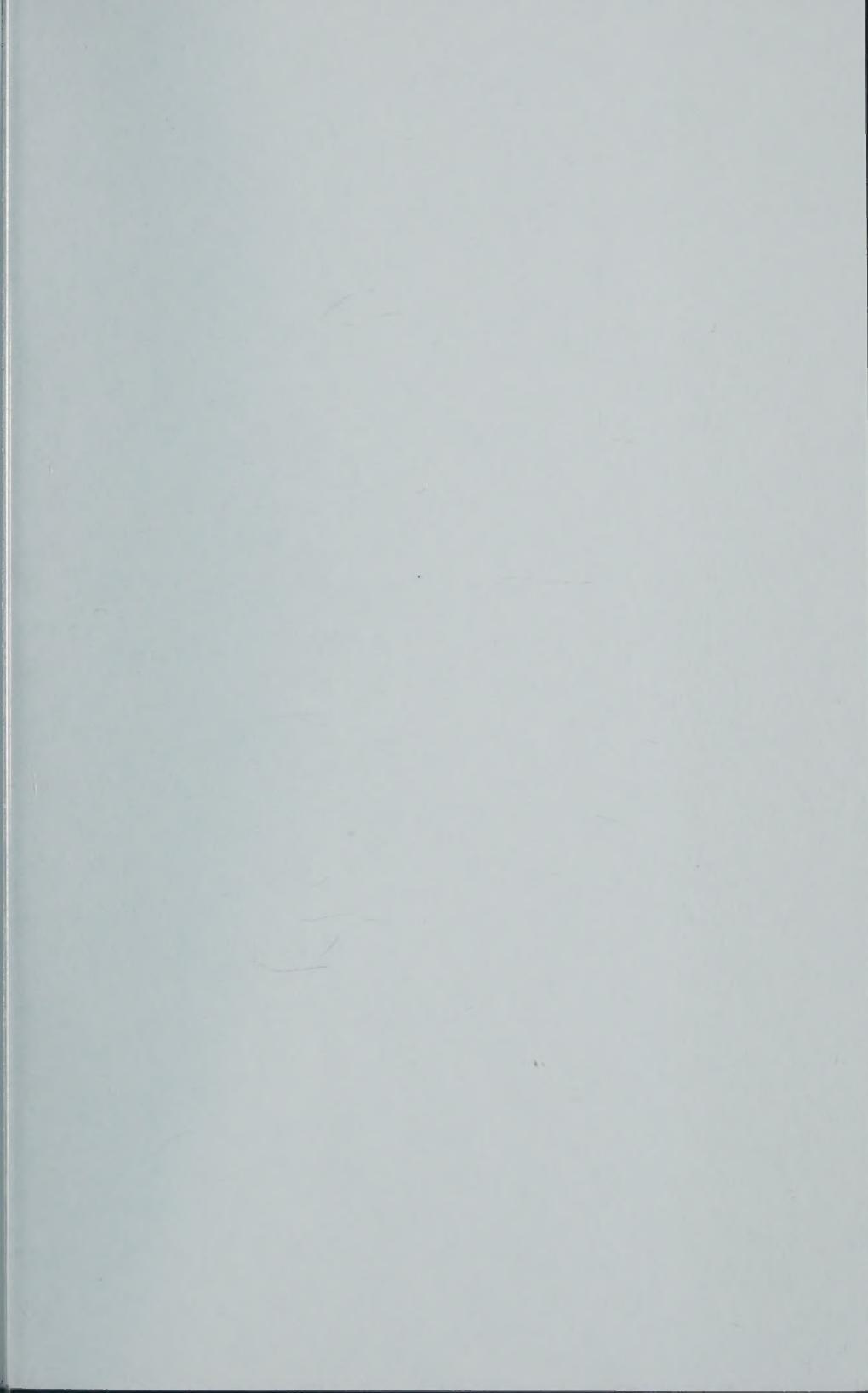
Marilyn Johnson stated that the Scholarship Fund keeps growing due to the fact that each year more money is added to it and no one is applying for this scholarship. She stated there is approximately \$1,500 in the fund.

Fred Moore made a motion to thank the Selectmen for their dedicated service they have given the Town. Moderator Hazelton agreed.

There being no further business, the Moderator adjourned the meeting at 8:07pm.

A True Copy Attest
Nancy A. Pike, Orange Town Clerk







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